

Federal Election Commission
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Dear FEC:

Director Michael Moore was in Syracuse, NY to speak to students ^{at Syracuse University} on Sept. 22nd. The event was nothing more than a "Get Out The Vote For John Kerry" event, of which the university spent \$38000. Local news stations have footage of the event, with big screens advising students to get out and vote and the local newspaper, the Syracuse Post Standard, reported:

"He urged the audience to vote for Kerry anyway, saying he'd rather vote for a bottle of water than vote for Bush."

- He also gave tangible goods in exchange for votes!

link to news report: <http://www.syracuse.com/news/poststandard/index.ssf?/base/news-15/1080467817198593.xml>

This event appears to be in direct violation of 2 US Code section 431

Sec. 441b is the key prohibition section. It provides:

Contributions or expenditures by national banks, corporations, or labor organizations

(a) In general


It is unlawful for any national bank, or any corporation organized by authority of any law of Congress, to make a contribution or expenditure in connection with any election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election or political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any political office, or for any corporation whatever, or any labor organization, to make a contribution or expenditure in connection with any election at which presidential and vice presidential electors or a Senator or Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, Congress are to be voted for, or in connection with any primary election or political convention or caucus held to select candidates for any of the foregoing offices, or for any candidate, political committee, or other person knowingly to accept or receive any contribution prohibited by this section, or any officer or any director of any corporation or any national bank

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or any officer of any labor organization to consent to any contribution or expenditure by the corporation, national bank, or labor organization, as the case may be, prohibited by this section.

Could you look into this for any possible wrong doing? ← with regards to the above mentioned actions of Syracuse University? In particular, their tax-exempt status should be questioned, just as a church would be in violation if they were to engage in similar activity.

Respectfully,


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